## CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Cooler Weather Brings About a Revival of Retail Business.

JOBBERS FIND PLENTY TO KEEP BUSY ON

Situation in Country Tributary to Omaha Most Encouraging for All Business Interests-Only Good Reports Given Out.

Business men without exception were greatly pleased at the change in the weather, as something of the kind was needed to stimulate trade. It is a noticeable fact that the people of Omaha rarely every commence buying fall or winter merchandise, however late the season may be, until there is some visible sign of colder weather. This reason business improved somewhat with the opening of September, but still there was no great activity and trade continued a little on the quiet order during the time that the weather was so very warm. The change to cooler weather a few days ago started up the buying demand at once, and from that time there has been a great improvement in trade noticeable. Local retail merchants all have their fall goods on the shelves and it is claimed by those who are in a position to know that they are larger, more complete and embrace a better quality of goods than were ever put in stock in this city before. This would seem to indicate that the retail merchants of the city have a good deal of confidence in the purchasing power of consumers. There is no doubt but what members of the trade are anticipating a good deal of help from visitors later on during the last weeks of the exposition. the exposition.

The lobbers of the city have been busy The jobbers of the city have been busy right along so that it is nothing new to say that Omaha jobbing trade is good, or of large proportions. The fact is that the jobbers of this city have had everything on their side this year and it looks now as if this would prove to be the banner year so far as the volume of trade in a jobbing way is concerned. The large crops in practically all sections of the farming country tributary to this market, together with the favorable conditions prevailing in the stock growing and mining sections of the country, have combined to make the volume of trade very large. The jobbers have put in large stocks and have placed themselves in a position to take care of any amount of trade that might come to them.

South Omaha.

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At South Omaha a large business is doing and the situation in the live stock market is entirely to the liking of the producers. Buyers and consumers naturally complain that prices are high. The trade at the present time is very largely occupied with the handling of western range steers of the kind known as feeders, which are being bought by farmers and taken back into the country to be placed on corn feed and fattened for market. Prices on good cattle of that description are very high, but owing to a surplus of the common kinds there was a big break in prices last week. Still it is a question if the farmers are not paying too much for the cattle and if many of them will not lose money by the operation.

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Attention has been called in these columns to the extensive operation of western canning factories and it may be of interest to the many who are interested in them to know the reports received from New Jersey and southern packing centers show that conditions governing the tomato pack have materially changed within the last few days. The glut of fruit at the factories, owing to the ripening of the cropall at once, gave the packers more than they could attend to, though packing night and day, and many tons of tomatoes in the fields as well as hundreds of bushels brought to market consequently went to waste. As a result of the rapid maturing of the early fruit the output of the factories, though taxaged to their attents. waste. As a result of the rapid maturing of the early fruit the output of the factories, though taxed to their utmost capacity, will, it is stated, turn out to be very much shorter than it would have been had the fruit come along gradually as it usually does. However, it is understood that in Maryland and Delaware at least, and probably in New Jersey, the pack, although likely to fall much below original expectations, which were based on the heavy increase in the acreage, is likely to be a full one. It is claimed that western packers have had to buy in the east to fill orders.

19.320 bbls.; exports, 16,759 bbls.; quiet but steady; winter patents, \$3.55@3.75; winter straights, \$3.30@3.40; extras, \$2.40@2.80; ter straights, \$3.30g3.40; extras, \$2.40g2.80; winter low grades, \$2.25g2.40; Minnesota patents, \$3.85g4.00; Minnesota bakers, \$2.95g2.320. Rye flour, steady; good to fair, \$3.15g \$2.30; choice to fancy, \$3.30g3.50. Buckwheat flour, steady; new, \$2.50g2.75. Buckwheat flour, steady; new, \$2.50g2.75. BUCKWHEAT—Steady at 55g50c. CORNMEAL—Firmer; yellow western, 74 \$675c; city, 75c; Brandywine, \$2.20g3.20. RYE—Firm; No. 2 western, 64c, f. o. b., affoat, spot.

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BARLEY-Strong; feeding, 41@43c, c. i.

Buffalo; malting, 45@50c, delivered at BARLEY—Strong; feeding, 41643c, c. i. f. Buffalo; malting, 45650c, delivered at New York.

BARLEY MALT—Firm; western, 55663c. WHEAT—Receipts, 345.225 bu.: exports, 45.407 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2 spot, steady; No. 2 red, 74%c, f. o. b., afloat, spot; No. 1 northern. Duluth, 78%c, f. o. b., afloat, to arrive. new; No 2 red, 71%c, elevator. Options opened steady and %c higher on cables, but ruled quiet and featureless, easing off %6%c under local liquidation; export demand not being satisfactorily sustained and receipts in northwest heavy; closed easy at %c net advance. May, 73% 75%c, closed at 73%c; December, 761-169 15%c, closed at 75%c.

CORN—Receipts, 111,115 bu.: exports, 29,126 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 40%c, elevator. Options opened %c higher, but were very quiet and scarcely changed for the rest of the morning, the advance following wheat. Closed steady at %c advance. May closed at 25%c; September closed at 38%c; December, 36c.

OATS—Receipts, 258,200 bu.: exports, 93,-

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CHEESE—Weak; large white, 10%@11c; small white, 11%@11%c; large colored, 11@11%c; small colored, 11%@11%c.
EGGS—Firm; United States and Canada, 18@20c, loss off; western, ungraded at mark, 12@10%c.
TALLOW—Firm; city, 5%c; country, 4@47.6. ROSIN-Dull; strained, common to good,

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RICE—Steady: domestic, fair to extra, RICE—Steady: domestic, fair to extra, Molasses—Steady: New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, \$26735.

METALS—Business locally was of a listless nature with the metal market. Spelter sagged 5 points under increased of ferings and a withdrawal of buyers. The foreign and domestic news contributed no influence for or against the market, At the close the Metal exchange called pig from warrants dull and nominal at \$17.00, lake copper quiet at \$18.50; tin quiet at \$32.75; lead quiet, with \$4.60 bid and \$4.62\frac{1}{2}\$ asked; The brokers' price for lead is \$4.40 and for copper, \$18.50.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions ST. LOUIS. Sept. 16.—WHEAT—Dull. easier; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 68c; track, 694,670c; September, 68c; December, 70%,60 May, 14%c; No. 2 hard, 626,68c.
CORN—Better; No. 2 cash, 31c; track, 22c; September, 22%c; December, 27%c; May, 28%c. OATS-Lower; No. 2 cash, 23c; track, 23c; eptember, 224c; May, 234c; No. 2 white,

September, 224c; May, 23%c; No. 2 white, 24%65c.
RYE—Firm at 55c.
RYE—Firm and unchanged, SEEDS—Timothy seed, steady at \$2.00% 2.75; flaxseed, steady at \$1.08.
CORNMEAL—Steady at \$1.08.
BRAN—Unsettled; sacked, east track, fic, HAY—Firm; timothy, \$7.00%10.50; prairie, \$5.5007.00.

### WHISKY—Steady at \$1.22.

IRON COTTONTIES—\$1.15.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

BAGGING—666-6c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salt meats, tasier; boxed shoulders and extra short clear, \$6.60; clear ribs, \$5.52; clear sides, \$5.75, \$6.60; near ribs, \$5.62; clear, \$5.75; ex-

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 16.—WHEAT— December, 64%; cash, No. 2 hard, 64c; No. 3, 59@65½c; No. 2 red, 67c; No. 3, 63@66½c; receipts, 148 cars. CORN—December, 24%c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 29@26%c; No. 2 white, 29½c; No. 3, 29c

29c. OATS-No. 2 white, 23@24c. RYE-No. 2, 53½c. HAY-Choice timothy, \$7.25@7.50; choice prairie, \$6.25@6.50. BUTTER—Creamery, 21c; dairy, 16c. BUTTER—Creamery, 21c; dairy, 16c. EGGS—No evidence of let up in demand; market higher; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, firsts, 13½c, cases returned.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour. De a full one. It is claimed that western packers have had to buy in the east to fill orders.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—FLOUR—Receipts, 19.329 bbls: expected by the second clears, \$2.30@2.35.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 16.—WHEAT—In 505c; May, 69%c. On track: No. 1 hard, 69½c; M

Toledo Market. Toledo Market.

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Toledo Sept. 16.—WHEAT—Lower,
weak; No. 2 cash, 69c bid; December, 72%c.
CORN—Dull, higher; No. 2 mixed, 33½c.
OATS—Dull, steady; No. 2 mixed, 21½c.
RYE—Dull, firm; No. 2 cash, 58½c.
SEEDS—Cloverseed, dull, unchanged;
prime cash and October, \$5.05; December
and March, \$4.95.

Duluth Wheat Market. DULUTH, Sept. 16.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard cash, 70%c; No. 1 northern, cash, 67%c; September, 67%c; December, 67%c; May, 71%c; No. 2 northern, 65%c; No. 3 spring, 61%c. To arrive: No. 1 hard, 70%c; No. 1 northern,

7%c. OATS-21@21%c. Peoria Market.

Provisions were dull but steady; prices were a little higher at the opening with grain markets and kept within a narrow range throughout. A good export demand for meats was a feature. At the close January pork was 5c higher at \$9.55, January lard 2½@5c higher at \$4.95@4.97½. Estimated receipts for Menday: Wheat, 130 cars; corn, 1.000 cars; oats, 375 cars; hogs, 30.000 head.
Leading futures ranged as follows: Leading futures ranged as follows:

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\*No. 2. Cash quotations were as follows: FLOUR-Steady: winter patents, \$3.50@ \$.60: straights, \$3.10@2.20: spring specials, \$4.10: spring patents, \$3.40@3.70: straights, \$2.80@3.20: bakers, \$2.20@2.90. WHEAT-No. 3 spring, 68@89½c; No. 2

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C., B. & Q.......120 Chi. Ind. & L..... 9 do pfd....... 42 E. I...... 88 & N. W....166 Cole. Southern 4% do 1st pfd. 43% do 2d pfd. 14% Del. & Hudson 122 Del. L. & W. 179% Den. & R. G. 21% do pfd. 74% Erie 12 

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Pennsylvania.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Light R ceipts as Usual on the Last Day of the Week. HEAVY HOG3 SHOW AN INCREASE IN PRICE

Hogs Touch High Point of the Month -Light Stock Cattle Much Lower-Beef Steers Command Good Prices All the Week.

Official Thursday ..... Official Friday ..... Official Saturday ..... 

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\* indicates Sunday The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was: Cattle, Hogs, Sh'p. H's

C., M. & St. P. Ry ... 3
O. & St. L. Ry ... 2
Missouri Facine Ry ... 2
Union Facine system ... 2
Union Facine system ... 2
L. & N. W. Ry ... 3
F., E. & M. V. R. R. ... 3
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry 1
B. & M. R. R. R. ... 17
B. & M. R. R. R. ... 17
C. B. & Q. Ry ... 2
K. C. & St. J. ... 2
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6 Total receipts ...... 37 73 The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyers, Cattle, I Omana Packing Co. Cattle, I G. H. Hammond Co. 10 Swift and Company. 238 Cattle, Hogs, Sheep 

 Swift and Company.
 238

 Cudahy Packing Co.
 19

 Armour & Co.
 23

 Cudahy Packing Co., K. C.
 400

 Armour & Co., K. C.
 56

 J. L. Carey
 17

 Lobman & Co.
 3

 Hill & Huntzinger
 4

 Livingstone & Schaller
 30

 N. Morris
 177

 Totals ..... ..1.093 5,237

WAGON LOTS-PIGS. 3 5546 3 575 80 3 75 4 25

SHEEP-Receipts of sheep today were light and the market not materially changed SHEEP—Receipts of sheep today were light and the market not materially changed from yesterday.

The receipts of sheep and lambs for the week were quite large and during the first half of the week the market was in anything but a satisfactory condition. Values were not only weak, but the demand seemed to be lacking in snap and the trade was a drag. During the latter half of the week the market seemed to brace up and take on new life, so that it was entirely satisfactory to the sellers. Values on lambs especially strengthened up and the week closed with the market in pretty good shape.

Stocker and feeder sheep and lambs have been in good demand all the week and the supply of that kind of stuff is none too large. There are apparently a good many farmers in this section of the country who have made up their minds to substitute sheep for cattle in the feed lots and orders to buy are coming more rapidly than the stuff.

Quotations: Prime native wetners, 4.000

stuff, Quotations: Prime native wethers, \$4.000 4.25; good to choice grass wethers, \$3.5003.390; fair to good grass wethers, \$3.5503.75; good to choice yearlings, \$4.0034.15; good to choice grass ewes, \$3.4003.50; fair to good grass ewes, \$3.0003.35; good to choice spring lambs, \$5.0005.20; fair to good spring lambs, \$4.5003.500; common spring lambs, \$4.0034.50; feeder wethers, \$3.6503.50; feeder yearlings, \$3.8003.50.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET. Better Saturday Offerings and Mostly

of cattle today were considerably above the Saturday average, but the bulk was consigned direct to packers and offerings were slim as usual. The market was mostly nominal, the few fat cattle offered being near the town of Huacho, reports the Chi-

nominal, the few fat cattle offered being disposed of at yesterday's prices.

HOGS—All classes of hogs were in good demand and prices ruled firm; heavy noges sold at \$4.2564.70; mixed lots at \$4.3564.55; light at \$4.3564.70; mixed lots at \$4.3564.55; culls, \$2.2564.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—There was a fair demand for the few sheep and lambs offered at about top prices for the week. Sheep sold at \$2.0063.40 for culls, up to \$4.00 64.40 for choice native and western sheep. Lambs brought \$5.506.25 for fair to choice.

RECEIPTS—Cattle, 1,000 head; hogs, 16,000 head; sheep, 2,000 head. St. Louis Live Stock.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 16.—CATTLE—Recelpts, 1,000 head; market steady; native shipping and export steers, \$5,0006.35; dressed beef steers, \$4,3006.10; steers under 1,000 lbs. \$3,8006.65; stockers and feeders, \$2.2504.60; cows and heifers, \$2.0006.00; canners, \$1,5006 2.75; bulls, \$2,5504.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$3,1004.45; cows and heifers, \$2.000 3.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,000 head; market 5c lower; p/gs and lights, \$4,5004.65; packers, \$4,4004.50; butchers, \$4,5504.65; packers, \$4,4004.50; butchers, \$4,5504.65; packers, \$4,4004.50; butchers, \$4,5504.65; packers, \$4,4004.50; butchers, \$4,5504.65; cuils and bucks, \$2,0006.50; stockers, \$2,0006.50; cuils and bucks, \$2,0006.00.

Oil Market.

TOLEDO. Sept. 16.—OILS—North Lima, \$1.9i; South Lima and Indiana, \$9c. OIL CITY, Sept. 16.—OILS—Credit balances. \$1.45; certificates opened at \$1.44½ and closed at \$1.45 bid for cash; no sales; no shinments or runs reported.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—OILS—Cottonseed, dull: prime crude, nominal; prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 17@18c; prime summer yellow, 25½@25c; off summer yellow, 25c; butter grades. 29@30c; prime winter yellow. 30@31c; prime white, 28@30c. Petroleum, firm: refined, New York, \$8.55; Philadelphia and Baltimore, in bulk, \$5.10. Turpentine, good, 49½@50c.

LONDON, Sept. 16.—OILS—Cottonseed, Hull refined, October, easy at 158 9d. Petroleum, refined, 6½d, Linseed, 22s 3d.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—COFFEE—Options quiet and steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 5 points, and after a brief period of active trading became dull, with unimportant variations; foreign market news indicated insignificant changes abroad. Closed quiet, unchanged to 5 points lower; sales, 18,500 bags, including: September, 84.15; October, 84.15; November, 34.20; December, 44.60; 445; January, 34.45; March, 14.60; April, 46.65; July, 34.80. Spot, Rio, dull and easier; No. 7 invoice, 57-16c; No. 7 jobbing, 515-16c. Mild, quiet; Cordova, 6%, 2012/2c. Coffee Market.

Sugar Market.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 16.—SUGAR—Steady; centrifugal, yellow, 44,674%c; seconds. 2½,674%c. Molasses, dull; centrifugal, 6674c.

NEW YORK. Sept. 16.—SUGAR—Raw, quiet; fair refining, 3%c; centrifugal, 96 fast, 4%c; molasses sugar 311-16c. Refined, quiet; No. 6, 4%c; No. 7, 49-16c; No. 5, 4%c; No. 9, 47-16c; No. 11, 43-16c; No. 12, 4%c; No. 13, 4%c; No. 14, 41-16c; mould A. 59-16c; standard A. 51-16c; confectioners' A, 51-16c; cut loaf, 511-16c; crushed, 513-16c; powdered, 5%c; granulated, 55-16c; cubes, 57-16c.

London Stock Quotations.
LONDON, Sept. 16.—4 p. m.—Closing:
Consols, money 1948 N. Y. Central 149
do account 1948 Pennsylvania 67%
Canadian Pacific 86% Reading 115
Erie 139 No. Pacific pfd 77%
do 1st pfd 38 Atchison 3146
U. P. pfd. 79 Louisville 118
St. Paul, common 1534 Anaconda 1136 BAR SILVER-Duil, 273-16d per ounce.
MONEY-2@24 per cent. Rate of discount n the open market for short bills, 34 per ent; for three months' bills, 34,03% per

California Dried Fruits. NEW YORK. Sept. 16.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Quiet but steady. Eva-porated apples. common, 7½c; prime wire tray, 7½08c; choice, 8½09c; fancy, 9094c, Pears, 3½084c. Apricots, Royal, 120134c; Moor Park, 14016c. Peaches, unpeeled, 7½0

Imports of Merchandise. NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—The imports of dry goods and merchand'se at the port of New York for this week were valued at \$2,160,370.

HUNTSVILLE. Ala., Sept. 16.—The Chamber of Commerce of this city has invited LIABILITY and run no risks. Send for President McKinley to attend the deliberations of the coming Industrial convention.

FATAL AGE OF THIRTY-SEVEN.

Many Men Who Have Died When They

The age of 37 is a particularly fatal age. An examination of the records of the United States government, says the Toledo Blade, shows that more people die at that age than any other after attaining their majority. It is also ascertained that more misfortunes overtake persons at that age than at any other time in their lives and that few for-

An examination of history develops the same thing. At the age of 37 a great sorrow pefell Aristotle, the death of Plato, his friend and teacher, with whom he had studied for nearly twenty years. This sorrow plainly showed its effects upon his future life and to it may be attributed the ead tone of his later writings. It was at the age of 37 that Lord Byron

died of fever at Greece. As Lord Beaconsfield says, he was "greater as a man than as a writer, and his less to the world was a great blow to it." Raphnel, the glory of Italian art, died at 37. He fell sick a week before his birthday

of cold and fever and died on that day, Good Friday. In him the world lost one of its greatest artists. In music, like art and poetry, England

lost her greatest composer at the age of 37. Purcell, the most distinguished musician Britain produced, died within a few days after attaining his thirty-seventh year. The regard in which he was held in England placed him on a par with Milton in epic poetry, with Shakespeare on the stage, Locks in metaphysics and Sir Isaac Newton in philosophy and mathematics.

It was at the age of 37, too, that England lost a military genius that she regarded or the highest rank and promise. Prince Henry f Battenburg, who died of fever in Ashantee n that year of his life.

Pascall, too, died at 37, but why seek more Illustrations? These are sufficient to illusrate the fatality of the age among geniuses. Where death failed misfortune often befell.

to the Packers.

CHICAGO. Sept. 16.—CATTLE—Receipts fatal age of all those after a man passes his majority.

Automatic Salt Works. About 100 miles north of Lima, Peru,

tle farther the percolation of sea water through the porous rock into pits and hollows has caused immense deposits of salt to accumulate. The salt is taken out in that form. As soon as the salt is excavated the water comes in again and in a year or two has solidified and is ready for the market. Wells driven into the sand disclose strongly impregnated water at a depth of twenty-five feet, which seems to be a great

to 12 per cent a month for the past two years.

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